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Message:

See attached Notice of Allowability
Allowed claims should read:
1,4,6-16,18,19,21,22,24-37, 61-66 and 70-78. This is not clear.
Drawings were filed on 07 May 2001, not 01 May 2004.
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Kent E. Baldauf

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 10-21-04. **61-66**
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1, 4, 6-16, 18, 19, 21, 22, 24-37 and 60-78.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 01 May 2004 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
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4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
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6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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